

### **In the Specification**

Please amend the two paragraphs on page 17, lines 7-117 as follows.

Considering the first of the two pen strokes ~~631-632~~ 630-631 within Fig. 6b, the pen stroke 631 is generally positioned at the middle of the text data characters 626-629 containing "WORD." The pen stroke has one end within the space text data item 625 and the other end within the "D" text data item 629. The pen stroke is a L-to-R pen stroke if it was drawn from the space 625 to the D 629. Similarly, pen stroke is a R-to-L pen stroke if it was drawn from the D 629 to the space 625.

In contrast, consider the second of the two pen strokes ~~631~~ 632 within Fig. 6b. This pen stroke ~~631~~ 632 is positioned below the text in data characters 621-624 containing "TEXT." The pen stroke has one end within the first "T" text data item 621 and the other end within the second "T" text data item 624. The pen stroke is a L-to-R pen stroke if it was drawn from the first T 621 to the second T 624. Similarly, pen stroke is a R-to-L pen stroke if it was drawn from the second T 624 to the first T 621.

Please also amend the two paragraphs on page 18, line 20 through page 19, line 22 as follows.

When a user presses the pen 102 onto the display 104, a ~~mouseDown~~ buttonDown event is triggered. The Capture Mouse Event Module 703 recognizes this event and begins the operational flow for the adaptive pen mode selection. The Capture Mouse Event Module 703 also captures mouseMove events and ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp events. Once one of the events is captured, test operation 704 checks to determine if the event is a ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp event. Typically, the processing begins with a ~~mouseDown~~ buttonDown event when the pen 102 is first

placed onto the display 104 and continues until the occurrence of a ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp event when the pen 102 is lifted from the display 104. The x,y location of the ~~mouseDown~~ buttonDown event corresponds to the first end of a pen stroke. Similarly, the x,y location of the ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp event corresponds to the second end of the pen stroke. The sequence of mouseMove events defines the movement of the pen 102 across the display that defines the direction and length of the pen stroke.

If the event is not a ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp event, the operation proceeds to test operation 705. In test operation 705, the x,y location of the event is checked to see if it is located over a text data item. If the event is located over a text data item, the adaptive pen mode selection assumes that the user wants to select the text item rather than draw a pen stroke over the text item. As such, the operational flow continues to a Switch Pen Mode Module 706. The Switch Pen Mode Module 706 temporarily places the operation of the computer 101 into an input select mode from any other operating mode and selects the text data item. The hand-held computer 101 will continue in this operating mode, and will continue in selecting additional data items beneath the pen stroke, until a ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp event is detected. The additional data items are selected within the Select Until ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp Module 707, with the Module 707 maintaining a list of all currently selected items. Once the latest data item has been included within the list of selected data items, the operational flow returns to the Capture mouseEvent module 703 to obtain the next mouse event until a ~~mouseUp~~ buttonUp event is detected.